

NEWS RELEASE

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Incident: Vandalism Arrest

Location: 247 S. Hill Rd. (Balboa Middle School)

Date/Time Occurred: 06/30/19 @ 1818 Hours

Officer(s) Involved: Ventura PD Patrol

Suspect(s): Male Juvenile, 17 years old, Ventura Resident

Report Number: 19-46217

Narrative:

On the above date and time, the Ventura Police Department Command Center received a 911 call of several subjects attempting to force entry into the school office at Balboa Middle School in the 200 block of S. Hill Rd. The caller was nearby the school campus and continued to up the dispatcher as officers responded to the call.

When officers arrived on scene, four subjects were detained inside the campus. All four subjects were juveniles and during the investigation officers determined the suspect, later identified as a 17-year-old male, used a permanent marker to write graffiti on several locations and office doors.

At the conclusion of the investigation, the 17-year-old suspect was arrested for vandalism and possession of prescription medication. One additional 16-year-old male juvenile was cited for being a minor in possession of alcohol. The two other additional 16-year-old males were released without charges.

With the summer season upon us and many schools not in session, the Ventura Police Department would like the public to report any suspicious activity seen around the school campuses. Anyone on a school campus while the campus is closed is considered trespassing.

The public can also report any damage from graffiti by leaving a message on the City of Ventura's Graffiti Removal Hotline number at 654-7805.

The complete press release, including suspect description, can be viewed online at www.venturapd.org

If you have any information about this crime, you can make an anonymous call to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.

If your information leads to an arrest, you could receive a cash reward of up to \$1,000.